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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, ICRC, GV
SUBJECT: ICRC VISIT TO GUINEA

REF: CONAKRY 398

1. BRIEFING INFORMATION CONVEYED REFTEL PASSED MARCH 6 BY MISOFF TO ICRC DELEGATE GENERAL FOR AFRICA FRANK SCHMIDT, WHO WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE. SCHMIDT PLANS TO ARRIVE CONAKRY MARCH 13 BY SABENA FROM BRUSSELS. HE IS PREPARED TO REMAIN IN GUINEA ON THIS INITIAL TRIP FOR AS LONG AS TEN DAYS, IN EVENT THAT POSSIBILITY OF VISITS TO DETENTION CENTERS MIGHT MATERIALIZE IN COURSE OF CONVERSATIONS. CHAPPUIS IS NOW ON LEAVE, AND SCHMIDT ACCORDINGLY PLANS TO MAKE THIS INITIAL VISIT ALONE.
 2. SCHMIDT STATED THAT HE WOULD, OF COURSE, BE IN CONTACT WITH THE SWISS CHARGE. IN ORDER TO GATHER FLAVOR AND VARIOUS POINTS OF VIEW, HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH MEMBERS OF OTHER MISSION STAFFS IN CONAKRY, AND PARTICULARLY THE U.S. HOWEVER, HE WONDERS WHETHER, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS FIRST VISIT, SUCH CONTACTS MIGHT BE IMPOLITIC IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE GOG SUSPICIONS. HE ASKED MISOFF IF WE WOULD SOUND OUT AND SOLICIT EMBASSY CONAKRY
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VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. IF THE EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO PROBLEM IN SUCH MEETINGS, HE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE HAVING THOUGHTS AS TO WHICH MISSIONS HE MIGHT MOST USEFULLY CONTACT. LATER IN THE CONVERSATION SCHMIDT EXPRESSED THE THOUGHT THAT, WERE THESE MEETINGS NOT DEEMED INADVISABLE, THEY WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BE "BALANCED", I.E. WEST, EAST AND THIRD WORLD. EMBASSY VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT FOR RELAY TO

SCHMIDT WOULD BE APPRECIATED BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

3. SCHMIDT APPRECIATED INFORMATION CONCERNING UNHCR REP HAGENBUCHLE, BUT DOES NOT CONSIDER IT WISE TO DROP BY DAKAR ON THIS TRIP TO DRAW ON HIS EXPERIENCE DURING HIS RECENT TRIP TO GUINEA.

4. SCHMIDT WONDERED WHETHER IT WAS LIKELY THAT HE WOULD BE RECEIVED BY TOURE. EMBASSY'S VIEW REQUESTED.
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